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**DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR
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(37 CFR 1.76)**

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Filing Date	May 11, 2001
First Named Inventor	Laurence J. Newell
Group Art Unit	2874
Examiner Name	Unassigned
Attorney Docket Number	20852-05133

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- ☐ The attached application, or
☒ Application No. 09/854,153, filed on May 11, 2001
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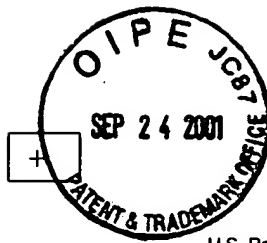
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